

A CALL FOR THE REPORTS

BURDEN NOT OF COMMISSION

Mr. Keener Thinks Elizabeth College Made a Mistake in Not Giving Findings of Experts to the News-Papers—Claims That Former Commission in Ferguson's Case Respects—Objects to Burden Being Shifted to Other Shoulders.

In your issue of Aug. 28th appears an article headed, "A Reply to Mr. Keener," and signed "Elizabeth College Co., by C. A. Misenheimer, secretary." In which an effort is made to show that the said college is not responsible for the fact that the reports of the several experts as to the recent epidemic of typhoid fever at Elizabeth College have never been published in our city papers, or in circular or pamphlet form.

Now, who sent for the experts? Was it not at the sole instance of Elizabeth College? The water commission declined to have any official connection therewith, for the very good reason that there was no epidemic of fever in the city, and common sense told them that the city was not to have any part in causing the trouble at the college in the simple fact that if the water caused the Elizabeth outbreak, it must, necessarily, have produced somewhat similar results elsewhere. Had you not seen, where there were more boarding pupils using the same water supply, to say nothing of a general infection of the city, which would have been published in our city papers, or in circular or pamphlet form?

Let me say, just here, that while the water commission had no official connection with this investigation, it simply submitted to these experts, Dr. Anderson of Washington, and Mr. Locke, of Boston, all data in its possession, including the various analyses of the city water, as furnished by four biologists and chemists, and aided them in every way possible to get a thorough knowledge of the condition of the water shed and of all matters pertaining to the city water supply. Elizabeth College, however, having sent for these experts, the examinations having been made for the benefit of the college, the several reports having been sent to its representatives, and to them alone, so far as Charlotte is concerned, their possession, from first to last, that of the college, as it is to-day, pray tell me, Mr. Secretary why were they not given to an anxious waiting public, in the daily papers had stated that the experts were coming. The public was advised that they were here, and later, that they had gone, but would report soon. Had you not seen, in the daily papers had stated that the experts were coming. The public was advised that they were here, and later, that they had gone, but would report soon.

The reports came, three of them. Dr. Anderson's, Mr. Locke's and Dr. Lewis'. Did you publish any one of them in a Charlotte paper? No. You did publish in a pamphlet form, however, Dr. Anderson's report with curtailment, and as you are pleased to term them, Mr. Locke's and Dr. Lewis' coinciding conclusions. Why was Mr. Locke's report so treated? He is a water and sewer expert of Boston, and, assuredly, an intelligent man, besides an eminent authority in the very line in question. I say, again, that if there is any obligation to this city, which is much of the patronage of this most excellent seminary must and should come, as to the publication of these several reports, without curtailment or abridgment, it is, in my opinion, then there is no escape for the college, and it is up to its representatives to give, not the conclusions simply of any one of them or of yourselves, the water commission, or any one else, but the detailed reports, one and all, to the people, that they may read and know, and judge for themselves as to who should bear the burden of a deadly epidemic, and not those of the water commission.

I fell into no error by my absence from the city, but Elizabeth College Company fell into an error in stating that the reports "were as received by us promptly placed at the disposal of his honor, the mayor, the head of the health boards and of the members of the water board." It is, in my opinion, a disgrace to the city, and I inform me that Dr. Anderson's report was sent to him for perusal and information only, and that he was distinctly informed that it was private property, and must be returned promptly. He says that he had no authority to make copy of same, or to make public its contents.

He further states that President King, in his office, promised to send him a copy, but that it never came to hand. The mayor states that in the same interview he stated to President King that he thought the matter should be made public as it would be educational, and thus a great help to the public. He also states that the report of Mr. Locke was never at any time placed in his hands, and I can testify that at the first meeting of the water commission, after my return to the city, we had considerable difficulty in finding the Locke report at all—remained in session for hours, a part of which time awaiting results of our diligent search for same. No member of the board had seen it. Inquiries were made by us of Mr. King, Mr. Tompkins' office, and that of Mr. Dyer. It was finally ascertained, and when sent to us, then in session, and at our request, it came with the same string of private property and must be returned promptly, and this was done.

No copy of either report was filed with the mayor, the superintendent of water-works, any member of the board, or even with Dr. Hawley of the health department, and so far as I can learn, no member of the water commission has even seen a copy of these reports since the date of that meeting. The several statements, therefore, along the line of tender possession or access to these three reports, as alleged in the Elizabeth College Company's article, are without foundation. And if they were true, does that put the burden of publication on the water commission?

By no means, and no one is better aware of that fact than the college representatives. The article above mentioned is grossly in error in assuming that any member of the water board has, at any time, been in favor of suppressing a single line contained in any one of the three reports. They were the property of the college, treated as such by its agents, treated as such by its experts themselves, treated as such by the water commission, and all other city officials, if I believe, unless there are reasons different from any I have conceived, that these reports, in every detail, should be published in the daily papers. I believe the public is entitled to them. I believe one of the gravest mistakes the college authorities have made is in their failure to make them fully known, and it is not too late.

Don't shift your burden to other shoulders. The water commissioners have troubles of their own. They get some jobs in your reports, but they'll stand them, as they should. Now then, having given what I believe to be the facts in the case, and having made, to my mind, reasonable deductions therefrom, I desire to say that Elizabeth College is proud of Elizabeth College. Its continued growth and success is the earnest wish of all good citizens. I have no doubt that every

possible source of contamination has been removed by the college authorities, and believe that, from a sanitary standpoint, it is far more attractive, with the recent cleaning up and purification, and other eliminating processes, than it has been for years. E. L. KEESLER, Sept. 1, 1906.

YOUNG MAN BEATS HIS LOVER.

Henry Hayman Founced on Bessie Clark, a Woman of the World, and Cruelly Assaulted Her—He is Bound Over Under \$500 Bond to Appear Before the Recorder.

Henry Hayman, a young white man of this city, was arrested, yesterday, by Sergeant Pitts, on a warrant, charging him with committing an assault on Bessie Clark, his paramour, and was required to give a bond of \$500 for his appearance before the recorder's court.

There is an interesting human interest story connected with this affair. Bessie Clark and Carrie Copeland, women of a kind, live at 605 South Davidson street. For several years the name of Henry Hayman has been coupled with that of Bessie Clark; they have been associates in immorality. Hayman played the devoted lover until his woman became ill, nearly a year ago, and had to undergo a dangerous operation and lie in a hospital for a long time. In her extremity Bessie Clark was deserted; she had not the comfort of her former friend, Carrie Copeland was about the only one who stuck to her. Days, weeks and months passed before the woman was able to return to her home. For many weeks she hung between life and death, and her former companions did not believe that she would ever recover. But gradually she began to recuperate and was on the way to complete recovery.

Friday night about 12 o'clock Hayman returned from a visit to New York and went immediately to the Clark house, where he found his woman ill. He flew into a passion because she would not submit to his embraces, jumped upon her prostrate form and beat her cruelly, hammering her in the stomach with his knees and battering her face with his fists, breaking her nose and bruising her cheeks. The blood flowed freely. The Copeland woman ran into the room and stopped him. A doctor was summoned and all day yesterday the Clark woman was in a critical condition. She suffered from internal hemorrhages and it is feared that she may die.

Hayman left the house and went to the home of Squire J. W. Cobb to submit. He was required to give a bond of \$25 on his own statement. The attack on the woman caused considerable indignation yesterday. If she should die it would go hard with her assailant.

Rev. Dr. Kilgo on "Mobocracy" This Afternoon.

Rev. Dr. J. J. Kilgo, president of Trinity College, Durham, will deliver his lecture on "Mobocracy" at Tryon Street Methodist church this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Dr. Kilgo is a deep thinker and a pleasing speaker and he never fails to hold the attention of his audience. His address this afternoon will probably be to a crowded house.

Mr. Barringer Continues Agent.

Mr. E. F. McDonald, representing the Franklin Motor Car Company, who has been spending two or three days at the Manufacturers' Club, left last night for Savannah. While here Mr. McDonald closed with the Osmond L. Barringer Company to again handle their cars in this State for 1907. Mr. Barringer stated that his company sold more Franklin Flyers last year than any other Southern agency, and he is getting an early start for next year's business.

STARVING TO DEATH.

Because her stomach was so weakened by useless drugging that she could not eat, Mrs. Mary H. Walters, of St. Clair St., Columbus, O., was literally starving to death. She writes: "My stomach was so weak from useless drugs that I could not eat, and my nerves so wrecked that I could not sleep, and not before I was given up to die was I induced to try Hawley's Headache Powders. Heat went tonic to earth. Sold and guaranteed by E. H. Jordan & Co., druggists."

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MURDERER GETS SEVEN YEARS.

William Henderson, Negro, Sentenced in Brown Court—Another Negro Gets Eighteen Months for Man-slaughter—Judge Ferguson's Plain Talk.

Special to The Observer. Salisbury, Sept. 1.—The jury in the case of the State against William Henderson, colored, for the slaying of John Cook, at Granite Quarry, last year, returned a verdict yesterday after six hours' deliberation. The agreement was murder in the second degree. Judge Ferguson gave him seven years at hard labor.

This sentence must have made the prisoner and every man in the room admire the judge. He said in sentiment: "Things like this make it hard for a man to know just what to do. When men accidentally fall into trouble as all are liable to do, they deserve sympathy and generally receive it. But if a man begins his course wrong, it seems that our lawmakers have agreed that there is but one way to correct the evil and that is to punish the person committing it. I do not like to lecture convicted men and rarely do it. My sense of fairness allows me to do nothing of the kind without giving the other man a chance to talk back. We hear that the way of the negro is hard and especially so in the East. But during my three years and a half on the bench, I have found that he receives generally the sympathy of those people. Here in the South is the only place in God's green earth that he does get sympathy, because our people understand him. In the court room, I see white and colored people both interested here and they are perfectly friendly. The best way for you colored people to train your children is to teach them that only in right living can they hope to retain that friendship and sympathy."

There was another homicide case in which John Brooks submitted to manslaughter and was given 18 months on the roads for the killing of Ed Hampton. The accident, for such it was, came from the careless handling of a gun in which there was evidence that both boys had dared each other to shoot. Both of those colored men serving terms for killing men were of a rather better element than those who habitually commit crime.

Goes West to Live.

Mr. Edward Boyce, a well-known young pattern-maker of this city, has gone to Pine Bluff, Ark., to join his mother, who is a resident of that city. Mr. Boyce has been employed at the Moffatt Machine Shops and Foundry and is very popular with his employers. He was one of the best workmen in the city. His friends regret to see him leave.

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To Capitalize Gold Mine in Union County.

Mr. M. Virnoche, for the past two years of the Brown Hill Gold Mine, in Union county, was in the city last night, on his way to Michigan and Wisconsin. He will visit his three brothers, whom he has not seen in many years. But the main purpose of his trip is to capitalize in the sum of \$100,000 his gold mine down here. He says it is a very rich property. He has found a three-foot vein of ore, eight feet under the surface, which will yield gold ore to the value of \$37.50 per ton. He thinks he will have no trouble in raising the capital. He will return within two or three months.

Death of Mrs. S. L. Culp.

Mrs. Sell L. Culp died at the Mercy General Hospital yesterday morning. She had undergone an operation for appendicitis. Mrs. Culp was 26 years old and leaves a husband and father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. William Patterson, of Providence. She was Miss Janie Patterson before her marriage four years ago. The funeral will take place at Providence church at 11 o'clock this morning.



"LOOK WELL TO THE HEART, FOR OUT OF IT ARE THE ISSUES OF LIFE."

THIS IS THE LANGUAGE OF THE SCRIPTURE ITSELF AND SHOULD BE HEEDED.

The heart is the great vital organ of the human system. It is about the size of your clenched fist. It is made of meat by a tiny tender nerve so small it is hardly visible to the naked eye. Open your fist and close it a dozen times in regular succession and you will get some idea of the enormous labor this little nerve has to perform. The heart itself has no more self-control than a sponge—the little nerve supplies the life current that makes it contract and expand. It is important that this nerve and the bunch of nerves that connect and operate the stomach and the kidneys all in one grand sympathetic whole should be kept strong. They should not be impaired in their action by impure blood, which ebbs and flows every moment through all the ramifications of the human system. Just at this time—after the long summer sleep and the consequent physical exhaustion—the blood is apt to be disordered. It may be too thick or too thin. Either is likely to result in General Debility, in Heart Failure, in Death. How many are the victims whose vital organs are unprepared for the strain put on it at this season. The one certain specific for the Heart and the Blood is the old reliable

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